

## Assembly

### Record of Committee Proceedings

#### **Committee on Labor**

##### **Assembly Bill 63**

Relating to: employment discrimination based on creed and exemption from liability and discipline for pharmacists who refuse to dispense for abortions, assisted suicides, and euthanasia.

By Representatives Owens, Albers, Bies, J. Fitzgerald, Freese, Gielow, Gottlieb, Grothman, Gunderson, Gundrum, Hahn, Hines, Huebsch, Hundertmark, Jeskewitz, Kerkman, Kestell, Krawczyk, Ladwig, F. Lasee, LeMahieu, Loeffelholz, D. Meyer, Nass, Nischke, Ott, Petrowski, Pettis, Seratti, Stone, Suder, Vrakas, Vukmir, Weber, J. Wood, Ziegelbauer and Kreibich; cosponsored by Senators Reynolds, Brown, Cowles, S. Fitzgerald, Harsdorf, Kanavas, Kedzie, Lazich, Leibham, Roessler, Schultz, Stepp, Welch and Zien.

February 18, 2003      Referred to Committee on Labor.

March 5, 2003            **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present:      (9)      Representatives Nass, Vrakas, Grothman,  
Wieckert, Hundertmark, J. Fitzgerald, Sinicki,  
W. Wood and Van Akkeren.

Absent:      (0)      None.

##### Appearances For

- Rep. Carol Owens, Author
- Julie Grimstad, Center for the Rights of the Terminally Ill, Stevens Point
- Charmaine Herbert, UW Alumni for Life, Grafton
- Matt Sande, Pro-Life Wisconsin, Cambridge
- Kirby Brant, Pro-Life Wisconsin, Madison
- Yvonne Klubertanz, Pharmacists for Life International, Appleton
- Andre Jacque, Sen. Reynolds' Office, Madison

##### Appearances Against

- Deborah Lukovich, NARAL of WI, Madison
- Melanie Ramey, The HOPE of WI, Madison
- Todd McVey, Hospice Care, Inc., Madison
- Kathryn Osborne, WI Chapter of the American College of Nurse Midwives, Madison
- Lisa Boyce, Planned Parenthood, Madison

- Dr. Scott Spear, Madison

Appearances for Information Only

- Alice O'Connor, WI Medical Society

Registrations For

- Julaine Appling, The Family Research Institute of WI, Madison
- Sen. Bob Welch
- Kathy Markeland, WI Catholic Conference, Madison
- Mary Matuska, Pro-Life Wisconsin, Beloit
- Katherine Ribnek, Elm Grove
- Sen. Carol Roessler
- Richard Bonomo, Madison
- Neil Noesen
- Michael McCarty
- Susan Grosskreuz
- Richard Laczny, Appleton
- Michael John Phillips, Wauwatosa

Registrations Against

- Rev. Sue Larson, Lutheran Office for Public Policy in WI, Madison
- Annie Laurie Gaylor, Madison
- Chris Taylor, Planned Parenthood, Madison
- Deborah Hobbins, Madison
- Megan Mooney, NARAL of WI, Madison
- Jennie Johnson, UW-Waukesha Student Government, Waukesha
- Colleen Hermann, NARAL of WI, Madison
- Lauren Rauk, Madison
- Nora Cusack, Madison
- Amber Zeddies, Madison
- Constance Theinen, League of Women Voters of WI, Middleton
- Lisa Macaulay, WI Coalition Against Sexual Assault, Madison
- Chris Ahmuty, ACLU of WI, Milwaukee

May 14, 2003

**EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD**

- Present: (8) Representatives Nass, Vrakas, Grothman, Hundertmark, J. Fitzgerald, Sinicki, W. Wood and Van Akkeren.
- Absent: (1) Representative Wieckert.

Moved by Representative Hundertmark, seconded by Representative J. Fitzgerald that **Assembly Amendment 2** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (7) Representatives Nass, Vrakas, Grothman, Hundertmark, J. Fitzgerald, W. Wood and Van Akkeren.  
Noes: (1) Representative Sinicki.  
Absent: (1) Representative Wieckert.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 2 ADOPTION RECOMMENDED,  
Ayes 7, Noes 1

Moved by Representative Van Akkeren, seconded by Representative Sinicki that **Assembly Amendment (LRBa0518/1)** be recommended for introduction.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Nass, Vrakas, Grothman, Hundertmark, J. Fitzgerald, Sinicki, W. Wood and Van Akkeren.  
Noes: (0) None.  
Absent: (1) Representative Wieckert.

INTRODUCTION OF ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT  
(LRBA0518/1) RECOMMENDED, Ayes 8, Noes 0

Moved by Representative Van Akkeren, seconded by Representative Sinicki that **Assembly Amendment 3 (LRBa0518/1)** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (2) Representatives Sinicki and Van Akkeren.  
Noes: (6) Representatives Nass, Vrakas, Grothman, Hundertmark, J. Fitzgerald and W. Wood.  
Absent: (1) Representative Wieckert.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 3 (LRBA0518/1) ADOPTION NOT RECOMMENDED, Ayes 2, Noes 6

Moved by Representative Vrakas, seconded by Representative Hundertmark that **Assembly Bill 63** be recommended for passage as amended.

Ayes: (6) Representatives Nass, Vrakas, Grothman, Hundertmark, J. Fitzgerald and W. Wood.  
Noes: (2) Representatives Sinicki and Van Akkeren.  
Absent: (1) Representative Wieckert.

PASSAGE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 6, Noes 2

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Mike Mikalsen  
Committee Clerk